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Title: ULTRA HIGH THROUGHPUT BIOASSAY)

SCREENING SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

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Date 04/03/01 Regis. No. 30,371

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2001, and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire April 3, 2001.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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At page 12, line 19, please insert following "allows" -->a plurality of passageways
84 formed in ---

At page 12, line 21, please insert at end of line ---As shown on Figure 4,
passageways 84 and holes 70 are aligned.---

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